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8 FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
9 WESTERN DIVISION

10 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA and
11 THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA *ex rel.*
12 **[UNDER SEAL]**,

13 Plaintiff[s],

14 v.

15 **[UNDER SEAL]**,

16 Defendant[s].
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Case No. CV 09-8324 MCS (AGRx)

ORDER RE ELECTION BY THE
UNITED STATES AND CALIFORNIA
TO DECLINE TO INTERVENE AND
UNSEALING OF CASE

**[LODGED UNDER SEAL PURSUANT
TO THE FALSE CLAIMS ACT, 31
U.S.C. §§ 3730(b)(2) AND (3)]**

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13 Plaintiffs,

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15 ATLANTIC RECOVERY SERVICES,
16 INC., *et al.*

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1 The United States of America (“United States”) and the State of California
2 (“California”) having declined to intervene in this action pursuant to the federal False
3 Claims Act, 31 U.S.C. § 3730(b)(4)(B), and the California False Claims Act, Cal. Gov’t
4 Code § 12652(a)(3), and the United States, California, and *qui tam* plaintiff Paula Torres
5 (“Relator”) having stipulated to the unsealing of the case with certain exceptions, the
6 Court now orders as follows:

7 IT IS ORDERED that:

8 1. The seal is lifted from this action in all respects, except as specified in
9 Paragraph 3 below. The Relator’s Complaint and First Amended Complaint are
10 unsealed, and the Relator shall serve the First Amended Complaint upon the defendants;

11 2. This Order and the Notice of Election by the United States and California to
12 Decline to Intervene and Stipulation Re Unsealing of Case are both unsealed, and the
13 Relator shall serve both upon the defendants with the First Amended Complaint;

14 3. All other contents of the Court’s file in this action, filed and lodged to date,
15 shall remain permanently under seal and shall not be made public or served upon any
16 defendant or other party or person;

17 4. The seal is lifted as to all papers and records filed or lodged in this action after
18 the date of this Order, except as otherwise ordered by the Court;

19 5. The parties shall serve all pleadings, notices, motions, orders, and other papers
20 hereafter filed or lodged in this action, including supporting memoranda and any notice
21 of appeal, upon the United States as provided for in 31 U.S.C. § 3730(c)(3). The United
22 States may order any deposition transcripts and is entitled to intervene in that part of the
23 action, for good cause, at any time; and

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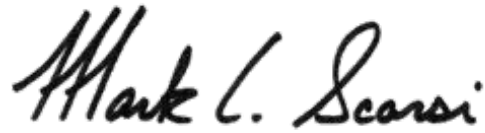
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1 6. Should the Relator or the defendants propose that this action be dismissed,
2 settled, or otherwise discontinued, the parties shall provide the United States and
3 California with notice of the same and the Court will provide the United States and
4 California with an opportunity to be heard before ruling or granting its approval.

5 IT IS SO ORDERED.

6 Dated: April 16, 2021



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8 MARK C. SCARSI
9 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
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